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1. SUDAN SECURITY SITUATION REMAINS CALM. MEDIA INCREASINGLY LINKING US WITH ISRAEL AND IMPLYING THAT US RESUPPLY TO ISRAEL OF MILITARY EQUIPMENT ONLY MATTER OF TIME. AT MAJOR SSU RALLY OCT 9, NUMBER SPEAKERS ATTACKED US FOR ITS SUPPORT OF ISRAEL, UN SECURITY COUNCIL VETO LAST JUNE AND STATEMENTS FAVORING RETURN 1967 CEASE-FIRE LINES. SO FAR MEDIA LINE NOT REPEAT NOT REFLECTED IN POPULR ATTITUDES TOWARD US. WE RECALL SUBSTANTIAL NUMBERS SUDANESE (SOUTHERNERS AND ANSARS) HAVE LITTLE ENTHUSIASM FOR EGYPT. MOREOVER, UNIVERSITY REMAINS CLOSED AND STUDENTS DISPERSED. BELIEVE GOS WOULD SEEK PROVIDE EFFECTIVE PROTECTION US CITIZENS AND PROPERTY IF NEEDED.

2. THUS, MY ASSESSMENT REMAINS US CITIZENS AND PROPERTY SUDAN NOT SO FAR ENDANGERED AND UNLIKELY THIS SITUATION WILL ALTER EXCEPT UNDER GREAT PROVOCATION IN TERMS ALLEGED USG POLICIES OR ARAB DEFEATS. HOWEVER, MIGHT HELP US ADMINISTRATIVELY RE OUR CONTINGENCY PLANNING IF DEPT COULD CONFIRM OUR PRINCIPAL AND ALTERNATE SAFE HAVENS.
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